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Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Reconsideration

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated June 10, 2009 and the Advisory Action mailed November 2, 2009. A Notice of Appeal is submitted herewith.

It is worth noting that the Advisory action was mailed well over a month late, unnecessarily requiring a one month extension of time to be paid for by the Applicants. For the reasons discussed below, it is respectfully asserted that the time and expense of the Appeal briefing process for both Applicants ant the Patent Office is also unwarranted.

Reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

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